

KEY SPEAKERS ON LOCALISATION – REGIONAL NGO CONSULTATIONS (28 June – 01 July 2021)

Speaker	Title	Area of Interest/Specialization
<p>1 Kenya Mitchel Ambasu,</p>	<p>Refugee Consortium of Kenya RCK, Kakuma Area Manager, Kakuma</p>	<p>Commonly referred to as ‘Haki House’ (Right House) by refugees, Refugee Consortium of Kenya is a national non-governmental organization that was established in 1998. RCK’s mission is to promote and protect the rights and dignity of refugees, asylum seekers, IDPs and other forced migrants in Kenya and the wider East African region. It was established as a response to an increasingly complex and deteriorating refugee situation in Kenya and the region.</p> <p>RCK’s core mandate is to: provide legal aid services and psycho-social counseling; engage in advocacy for policy change and to develop legislation in line with international instruments regarding the management of refugees and other forced migrants; and to raise awareness regarding the plight and rights of the vulnerable groups through research and information dissemination.</p>
<p>2 Vasco M. Amisi</p>	<p>Résilience Action International</p>	<p>A grassroots organization started and run by refugees! We are empowering the refugee youth to fulfill their potential and enable them to transform their lives by providing adult education, economic empowerment, and reproductive health services. Resilience Action (formerly SAVIC) was founded in the Kakuma Refugee Camp in 2010 and is registered as an NGO in Kenya.</p>
<p>3 George Dralagar Tebalaya (South Sudanese refugee)</p>	<p>Youth Voices Community Communication Officer - YVC</p>	<p>A refugee led organization that aims to build awareness on refugee youths’ experiences while also developing their self-reliance. The YVC mission is to give a voice to refugee and vulnerable local youths in Nairobi by helping them share their stories, building their capacity and engaging in advocacy. Principles: To Advocate, To Educate and To Empower</p>

4	<p>Rwanda Olive Ashimwe</p>	<p>Inkomoko for Refugee Affairs Regional Refugee Director,</p>	<p>African Entrepreneur Collective (EAC) also known as Inkomoko works with entrepreneurs so that they can grow to create jobs and improve livelihoods. Inkomoko supports refugees' inclusion in Rwanda and boost up their resilience to the economic impact of the COVID19 pandemic through business / entrepreneurship training and coaching in business creation.</p>
5	<p>Jean Paul Ntwali</p>	<p>Prison Fellowship Rwanda Deputy Director</p>	<p>Prison Fellowship Rwanda (PFR) is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with the government of Rwanda and its relevant agencies, local and international organisations as well as UN agencies to foster interventions that support psycho-social healing, peace building and reconciliation, restorative justice, crime prevention, human rights promotion and legal aid, intervening in emergencies as well as nurturing socio-economic empowerment in Rwanda in the wake of the 1994 genocide against Tutsi and its aftermath. Prison Fellowship Rwanda was founded on 01/07/1995, affiliated to the Prison Fellowship International in 1997.</p>
6	<p>Somalia Burhan Abdullah Shiil</p>	<p>Puntland Minority Women Development Organization Program Manager,</p>	<p>National NGO and a minority rights organization that implements projects in Puntland and Somalia. PMWDO implements programmes in: Education, Maternal and Child Health, Nutrition, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion, Child Protection, Food Security, Livelihood, Humanitarian and Emergency Response, Civic education, Communities empowerment, Democracy and Human Rights; Peace Building and Conflict Transformation; and Environment and Natural Resource Management (ENRM) among others. The NGO works in partnership with other UN agencies and INGOs to implement projects.</p>

South Sudan			
7	William Ngabonziza	Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC)	National NGO working in 5 locations across four states (Upper Nile State, Unity State, Central Equatoria State and Jonglei State) in Malakal, Maban, Jamjang, Juba and Bor. HDC implements protection activities for refugees, IDPs and returnees. HDC continued providing services to POCs during the COVID-19 pandemic and worked with UNHCR closely.
8	Martha Nyakueka Reath	Nile Hope	NILE HOPE is a South Sudan humanitarian organisation currently operating in Jonglei, Upper Nile, Unity, Central Equatorial and Lakes States. It has been operating in South Sudan since 2004, with it's headquarters in Akobo and coordination offices in Juba and Nairobi.
9	Angelina Nyajima Simon	Hope Restoration South Sudan (HRSS), Executive Director.	National Women-Led Organization working with IDPs in Bentiu, Unity State. HRSS Advocates for protection of PoCs. HRSS collaborated with UNHCR during the COVID Pandemic and ensured the continuity of services to IDPs.
Uganda			
10	George Francis Iwa,	CAFOMI Executive Director	Care and Assistance for Forced Migrants (CAFOMI) is a national NGO in Uganda that champions localization agenda. Founded and led by returnee diaspora humanitarian, human rights and development professionals, CAFOMI is a member of Uganda National NGO Forum; as well as an active member of the Protection, WASH, Livelihoods, Energy and Environment working groups in the Uganda Refugee Response.